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# SOLDIER SCOTTY DIES ON HIS GUN; **30 HUNS GO FIRST**

Youngest Man in Regi ment, Perhaps in Army, Joined Service at 15

NONE BETTER AT SHO-SHO

Boy Who Never Used Razor Got Kid Games from Aunts Last Christmas

Private First Class Albert E. Scott died last week on the field of honor.

He was the youngest man in his regiment and his colonel thinks he was the youngest man in all the A.E.F.

In the regiment they are talking these days of all the good pals they lost in the force, unforgettable chase they gave the Germans in the great retreat from the Marne. But most of all—a little oftener and a bit more fouldy—they talk of Scotty.

oftener and a bit more fondly—they talk of Scotty.

"He was a good kid," they say, "and he died on his gun."
Scotty was only 15 and still going to high school back in Brookline when war came to America and he held up right his hand. Though he stood no more than five feet six, though his fair hair was curly and very boyish, though his mother probably wondered how even an overworked recruiting officer could ever have unistaken him for a grown-up, he was husky enough to pass for the 13 years he boldly claimed.

#### Eager to Go, and He Went

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Afterwards, there was some worried suggestion that he'd better stay home with his folks, but there were so many men in the outfit who knew the family, so many officers his father knew, above all he himself was so pleadingly eager to go, that when, one fine day in September, the regiment sailed away, Scotty, barrack bag, rifle, mess kit and all were stowed away in the hold with the rest.

In all his soldiering, Scotty never appeared on sick report, was never late at formations, never hid from dirty details. It was, only once in a while that the older heads in the company were reminded how very young he was.

They could not help thinking of it when they found that the birthday he was celebrating one bleak November day in the monotonous training area somewhere in France was only his 16th. Nor when they realized he never knew the pride of using that shiny razor which had been thoughtlessly doled out to him along with his housewife and shoe brush in the camp back home. Nor when Christmas came and brought with it for Scotty some kid games from his Down East aunts, who had forgotten it was a soldier they had in France.

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On such occasions, the company com-nander was worried over his responsi-ility, and one day he formally appoint-id the supply sergeant as Scotty's guar-lian. The sergeant saw to it that he wrote home regularly, went to mass every Sunday and gave every buvette a wide, wide path. Not that he negled watching, for, as the supply sergeant said, there never was a better kid than Scotty.

otty.

It is true that once he was absent
r some unaccountable hours in their
por's automobile. That was why they
luced him to a back private. But they
stored him to his original rank the
st day they saw him with a sho-sho

The French officers who came to instruct in the use of that light, automatic machine gun which fires 18 shots a a twinkling, found it was the youngster of the regiment who mastered it first and who, before many weeks landcass; I, became the best shot of them all. He was such a wonderful gunner that older soldiers were proud to be his feeders, because they knew their gunwould do the most damage with Scotty at the sights.

#### **Deadly Quiet and Cool**

And cool. He was always a quiet one, but under shell-fire he became deadly quiet and cool as a cucumber. They found that out back in April, when a shell struck the edge of the parapet throwing the gun into the trench and burying it, the boy and his feeders in an avalanche of dirt. Scotty wriggled out, extricated his beloved sho-sho, took it in his arms, and with never a word to anyone, marched 15 feet along the trench, set the gun up again and went on firing.

his great chance came when, of Continued on Page 2.

## ALL NEW YORK CITY IN BIG KNITTING BEE

#### Seventh Avenue and Plaza Folk to Toil in Central Park

[BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES

By Came to the Stars and Stripes!

AMERICA, August 1.—Ye village knitting bee has descended upon New York. Gotham the proud has put on its specsand will mingle fout ensemble in a three days' festival of "catch and twist and over and catch." Central Park is to be the scene of this latest orgy of fashlonable war work.

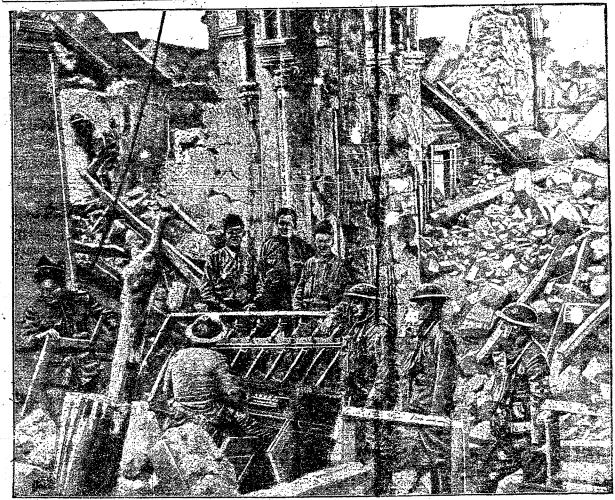
Whether or not the llon and the lamb are to lle down together on the lawn in order to make this millenial festival complete has not been announced. It is certain that Seventh Avenue and the Plaza are scheduled to click needles side by each and that socks for Doughboy Israelewitz will grow under the same spreading chesinut trees where a helmet for Colonel Claverly-Amsterdam is being done in silk and merino.

Democracy at its knitting will no doubt be photographed and fetted to a fare-ye-well, but the prospects are that the Yanks over there, who have failed to show. any signs of cold feet to date, will not be allowed to get chillblains anywhere else, not even on their trigger-fingers.

"Quantity production" is the aim of

ger-fingers.
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# THE VOLUNTEER ORGANIST - NEW STYLE



Only the Organ Remained Intact When Americans Reached This Church Northeast of Château-Thierry

# THREE CHAPLAINS TO EACH REGIMENT WATCH YOUR STEP

Congress Passes Bill Providing One to Every 1250 Men

No chance for members of the A.E.F. to stumble off the Straight and Narrow now. Not a chance in the world. For the Thin Highway has a triple guard in place of the lone chaplain sentry who was a triple grant of the lone chaplain sentry who used to patrol the narrow beat, herdin wandering souls back into the prope

fold.

It's all due to the fact that Congress has passed a bill providing for a chaplain to every 1,250 mea, three soul-savers on regiment, thereby relieving the pressure on the lone guard, who, with 3,000 huskles in his flock, had too much ground to cover, no matter how fast he was on his feet.

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It isn't that the A.E.F. has developed vickedness or his come upon any growing sin. It was merely a matter of not taking a chance and of providing relief for an overworked organization, where the spiritual odds of 1 to 3,600 had become a trifle lopsided, not to say warped. To meet this change and to provide for the instruction of new chaplains in the work ahead, a combination school and rest house has been opened near G.H.Q.

237 BASEBALL STARS

#### Course in Human Nature

This school is not arranged as any theological course. Its main purpose is to offer a course in human nature where chaplains who have served up with the men and know their needs and ways can instruct the new chaplains in the right way to get next to the men, to find their needs and to know how these needs must be met, spiritual, mental, psychological and otherwise.

All creeds gather at the school.

work is far beyond any one sect. It is no longer a matter of narrow religious belief, but of the greater gospel of care, fellowship, and friendly aid.

The new chaplain army, one to every 1.250 men, is being brought over with all meetible process.

nossible speed.

With the triple guard once on duty, the Straight and Narrow should be as easy to travel as an open road through camp.

#### DUBBIN NOT FOR FEET

# CROIX DE GUERRE **NOW LEGALLY WORN**

#### President Approves Bill Giving A.E.F. Right to Decoration

Decorations bestowed on American oldiers by the Governments of any nation at war with the Central Powers may now be worn without violating any law

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The Army Appropriation bill, as approved by the President last month, gives the specific permission demanded by the Constitution of the United States before foreign decorations may be worn. The bill also stipulates that American citizens who have received since August 1, 1914, decorations for distinguished service in the armies or in connection with the field service of the nations at war with Germany shall be permitted to wear rhose decorations on entering the military service of the United States. This act, among other things, allows men who have been awarded the Grox de Guerre by the French Government to wear it without flying in the face of the Constitution. It also permits General Pershing to wear the Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath bestowed on him by Great Britain.

# **MUST WORK OR FIGHT**

### Reprieve Until September 1 Granted by Secre-

tary of War IBY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES

AMERICA, August 1.—While club owners asked for a reprieve until Oc-tober 15, Secretary of War Baker couldn't see it that way, although he

order wenk or fight" decree affects 237 stars, which means, of course, that it will bring an end to any big league campaign on that date. The managers, however, believe that they can now finish the season by doubling up on games and that by selecting the best men from smaller organizations they can, cut a world's series across.

So there will be 31 more days of big league baseball before the stars of the game who are still playing will have either to work or fight in a final forced realization that the only real game left today is that of beating the Hun.

# "THE COMMAND IS 'FORWARD'"

the afternoon, and a tircless Yankee regiment that had emerging pulsated the retreating Germans across more than ten miles of France-way resping for a few moments in a roadside ditch, a buttered old good that wound his closely way through the ancient forest of Fere. You would have seen these all uxuriating in their breathing spell, the young feetwards journal confortably, the battation commander sitting with his back propied Zamist a tree.

His name was Leany—Capt. Francis M. Leahy of Lawrence, Mass, one who had done his turn in the ranks and who used to tell of the days when he was orderly to Capt. Pershing out in the Phillippines. He had just caught the signal from down the road that the requirent was to fall in and mave on when, whining out of space, came a German shell.

It plowed up the earth and stretched on the ground several men who were just getting to their feet, wounding some of them. It hit the tree against which the captain was learning and snapped it off like an asparagus stalk. A piece of the shell struck the captain in the back and tore its way through his chest.

"Goodbye, boys," he said, and his head sugged forward.

Then it was as if, somewhere in the universe, a Commander Invisible had cabled "Attention!" Captain Leahy raised his head. With clearing voice, he spoke the name of the officer to whom it would be his duty to turn over the hattation in the event of his being called away.

"Lieuteum! Hansen," he said, "the command is 'Forward.' See the boys through."

Then he died.

# **NEW RECORDS SET** IN SHIPBUILDING: MORE BIG PLANTS Maj. Gen. Kernan Assign

#### Steel Cargo Steamer is Launched in 27 Days on Great Lakes

BY J. W. MULLER Staff Correspondent of THE STARS AND STRIPES

(BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES] AMERICA, August 1.—Shipbuilding is receeding throughout the country at

AMERICA, August 1.—Shipbuilding is proceeding throughout the country at an ever increasing pace.

The record recently set by the launching of the 5,000-ton cargo steamer Tuckahoe in 27 days was almost cut in two this week when a 3,500-ton steel ship was launched 14 days after the keel had been laid by the Great Lakes Engineering Company at Ecorse, Mich.

At the same time wooden shipbuilders at Newington, N. 11. established at

at Newington, N. II., established a record in their field of construction by completing all the square framing and erecting the steel posts of a 3,500-ron ship in 58 hours. The best previous record w.as 70 hours.

### Big Extension Plant

A destroyer was launched at the Mare Island Navy Yard 70 days after the keel was laid and 17 and one-half days after the first plate was put on. It is natural the Ward and is of the latest and largest

DUBBIN NOT FOR FEET

Dubbin, dubbin, who's got the dubbin? To be more specific, who has been to be more specific with the bed will be find the to only the limits of the busing.

Some kind of a month disease is been to be more specific with the land—not foot and mouth, just plants in the perfected plants for converting 150 acres and to be more specific with the beat and an outh, and the proving specification to the busing.

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# MAJ. GEN. HARBORD **NEW CHIEF OF S.O.S.**

## ed to Other Important Work in Europe

The following official statement has been issued for publication:
Major General Francis J. Kernan, who has done exceptionally good work in carrying out the plans of General Pershing in the development of the S.O.S., has been assigned to other important work in Europe for which he is peculiarly fitted and of necessity will relinquish the command of the S.O.S.

His successor will be Major General J. G. Harbord, who has been closely identified with the development of the A.E.F. and in whose sound judgment, executive and administrative ability General Pershing has the greatest confidence.

The vast importance of the work of the S.O.S. necessitated this detail, al-

# BAN ON CAMERAS STRICT AS EVER

#### Members of Relief Organizations Must Turn Theirs In

The ban on cameras for men of the A.E.F. has not been lifted. On the contrary, it is now broadened to include all relief organizations engaged in A.E.F. work, which have been directed to cable to America forbidding any new

to cuble to America forbidding any new man to board a vessel with a camera unless he is being sent especially for photographic work.

No one in the Army or connected with it can own a camera unless he has been directly authorized to carry one and has it pass to do so.

The various organizations affected by the order estimate that their representatives in this country have several thousand cameras, all of which will be called in and stored for their owners.

# MINERS GOING STRONG

AMERICA, August 1.—Fears of another fuel shortage in the States next winter have been materially decreased by the recent performance of

creased by the recent performance of the country's coal miners.

In the week ending July 13 they established a record by mining 13.243.000 tons of bituminous coal, almost 3,000,000 more than in the preceeding week, and a million tons above the average weekly require-ments estimated by the Fuel Admin-istration as necessary to keep the war program in full swing.

# "KAMERAD" CRIES SAVED TILL LAST BULLET IS SPED

Germans Glad to Call Fight Off When Ammunition Runs Out

#### BRASSARD NO PROTECTION

Down, but Huns Use Red Cross Litter to Carry Gun

The experiences the American soldiers have had in their share of the lighting between the Marne and the Ourca have spread far and wide through their ranks a growing anger at the Germans.

They have been seeing with their own lesh some things they had read about and never believed. Go up through the courry north of Château-Thierry and you will find they have a very real quarrel with the German Army. They have learned about Kultur from them.

It is easy to guess the emotions of a Yankee platoon, whose members have been cut down right and left by some hidden machine gun nests, when the gunners run out of annunition and thereupon, in the most confiding and appealing manuer, shout "Kamerad!" and want to call the light of.

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It is easy to guess the emotions of those Yankees who have seen with their own eyes German machine gunners chained to their guis—to guess the anger and contempt they have for each soldier who has to be chained and for the com-manders that will chain him. More than Yankee outfit has been witness to

one Yankee onto has been this thing.
But their feelings take on still another color when, as they are slushing through a golden wheat field they look up proudly at the airplanes bearing the French colors, only to learn a few moments later that they are masked German planes from which gunners pour fire into their ranks. from which gunners pour fire into their ranks.

And when they found dead in the field

And when they found dead in the field a Hospital Corps boy who had been tending them indefatigably from the first and who was shot by a suiper while he was busy at his task in broad daylight in an open field.

They found him with one hand raised over his head and with his fingers still chutching the seissors with which he had neen cutting a bandage from a wounded comrade's shirt. The brassard showed clear on his arm, but it did not save him.

### Work of Fiendish Bullets

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By chance, the same band with itsenss of red upon a field of white did not save a little group of German soldiers caught, padding up a patch with a litter that bore something stretched out under the blankers. The Boches wore brassards on their arms and they were carrying the litter most tenderly, but the Yankees who stopped them thought to peer under the blankets. The tenderly carried burden was a German machine fun, being taken to a place of safety. It never got there.

The feelings such episodes as these engender are not abated any when, as happened many times during the fighting this week and last, Americans at work with the litters in the field or with the bandages in the regimental aid stations find the wounded brought in all mutilated as from the tearing force of something they believe to be an explosive buillet.

Nor are they abated by such stories

Mor are they abated by such stories s those brought back fresh from the bit-erly contested streets of Sergy—stories f German machine guns set up and fired

# NO SAM BROWNES

# New Order Is Aimed at on the railroad dining cars will be one nation-wide result of the latest economy edict.

#### ARMY PROGRAM READY

# YANKEES HUMBLE **GERMANY'S BEST** IN OURCQ BATTLE

Prussian Guard Is Drivenfrom Sergy in Hand to **Hand Fighting** 

FORD RIVER TO MEET FOE

Ammunition Dumps Scized, Guns Turned on Hun—You Can Bathe in the Marne Now

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In the cand of July, the end of the fortnight which launched the grandiose offensive of the Crown Prince, saw the Germans fighting more and more stubbornly in an ever narrowing pocket between Solssons and Rheims, fighting no longer on the Marne, but on the Oures, with Fercen-Tardenois, the main cross-realls of the pocket, reached, seized and held by the forces of the Allies.

The German offensive, which began badly, halted and then turned into a forman retreat, had, in the course of a fortnight been characterized by the greatest capture of guns and ammunition the Allies have ever made on the western front and the deepest Allied advance in buttle since the first Battle of the Marne.

The same historic fortnight confirmed the reports that Allied forces had taken a foothold on the White Sea, and that 10,000 kilomelers from Chateau-Thierry Japanese troops were entering the war by way of far Siberia, two rallying points for all who hate and fear the German in that vast domain which was once the realm of the Romanoffs.

And word comes from Milan of the Jubilant acclaim with which American troops were received in the streets of that Italian city as they marched through on their way to the Piave front. August 2: 1918—and all's well.

News of the turn in the tide of events has slowly seeped into startled Germany, and even the official note of explanations makes illuminating reading. From its text, as set forth in the Frankfort (gazette and other Roche journals, this paragraph is not without its interest to the Yankee fighting man:

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#### Ourcq Another Antictam

The fighting worth of a good many American units was being tested by the Germans in the savage engagements American timis was being tested by the formans in the savage engagements fought from the beginning of this week, and the Oureq, has taken its place in pages of American history as another Anticiam. Speaking at a dimor in Paris on Menday night, M. Andre Tar-tion, Llieb. Commissioner, from the

Prenent tenume to washington, said to bis hosts:
"Today on the Ourcq an American division beat the first division of the Prussian Guard."
That was describing in a sentence the climax of ten days of fighting—ten days in which Yankee troops pursued the Germans over a torn and recking coun-tryside, pushing allend in some places as far and as fast as 15 kilometers in three days.

days.

It was ten days of fighting against stubborn rearguards and nests of machine guns. What it means to clean up a forest with snipers in many a tree and every thicket deadly with a hidden ma-

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## NATIONAL ECONOMY SHOWING RESULTS

More Grain and Beef, Sugar Restrictions, **Bigger Cotton Yield** By Cable to THE STARS AND STRIPEST

AMERICA, August 1.—That the country has begun to make national economies effective along every line is increasingly religible. ngly evident. In the grain States, threshing methods

are being perfected, and it is estimated that 25,000 bushels of grain will be saved in each county where wasteful nethods have hitherto obtained. netnods have hitherto obtained.

Arizona cuttlemen londed 2500 steers
on trains and hurried them from
frought-stricken regions to the Black
fills National Forest, where the aninals will be fattened on the abundant
trasslands.

SAM BROWNES
FOR K. OF C. MEN

grasslands.

Beginning today, sugar consumption is restricted to two pounds monthly per person. The unusual spectacle of the bon vivant communical traveler enjoying only two half-lumps or one teaspoon of granulated, sugar. In his morning college

Secretaries and chaplains wearing the insignia of the Knights of Columbus have been ordered by Lawrence O. Murray, overseas commissioner for the organization, to wear no belts, Sam Browne or semi Sam Browne.

The order has been given so that members of the A.E.F. may not fall into the mistake of saluting K. of C. men, who do not want the salute and can't return it anyway, so that the order will save both soldiers and secretaries much combarrassment.

The order, of course, does not apply to K. of C. chaplains who may be officially commissioned as Army chaplains and become thereby Army officers.

BY CAULT TO THE STARSAND STRIPES]

AMERICA, August 1.—War Department plans for the huge Army program to be presented to Congress when it resembles have been practically completed. While these plans have been rapidly finished, the Department has so far only hinted at their scope.

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AMERICA, August 1.—Thomas Edisor's son. William L., has enlisted as a relivate in the Tank Corps at Port Slocum for preliminary training. At 19 he enlisted as a private in the First U. S. William C., and saw service in Porto Rico.